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	EXAMINER Dismery E. Mercedes
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TITLE	SERVO WRITING A DISK DRIVE BY SYNCHRONIZING A SERVO WRITE CLOCK IN RESPONSE TO A SYNC MARK RELIABILITY METRIC

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3. Response to Restriction Requirement (2 pages)

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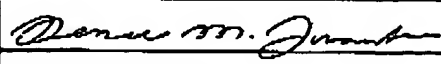
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	Filing Date	01/31/2004
	First Named Inventor	Tehri S. Lee
	Art Unit	2651
	Examiner Name	Dismery E. Mercedes
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Application Number	10/769,386
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First Named Inventor	Tehri S. Lee
Examiner Name	Dismery E. Mercedes
Art Unit	2651
Attorney Docket No.	K35A1358

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Application Type	FILING FEES		SEARCH FEES		EXAMINATION FEES		Fees Paid (\$)
	Fee (\$)	Small Entity Fee (\$)	Fee (\$)	Small Entity Fee (\$)	Fee (\$)	Small Entity Fee (\$)	
Utility	300	150	500	250	200	100	
Design	200	100	100	50	130	65	
Plant	200	100	300	150	160	80	
Reissue	300	150	500	250	600	300	
Provisional	200	100	0	0	0	0	

2. EXCESS CLAIM FEES

Fee Description	Fee (\$)	Small Entity Fee (\$)
Each claim over 20 or, for Reissues, each claim over 20 and more than in the original patent	50	25
Each independent claim over 3 or, for Reissues, each independent claim more than in the original patent	200	100
Multiple dependent claims	360	180

Total Claims **Extra Claims** **Fee (\$)** **Fee Paid (\$)** **Multiple Dependent Claims**

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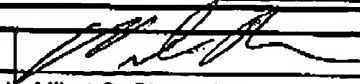
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Serial No.: 10/769,386

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Art Unit: 2651

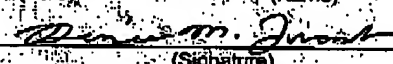
Examiner: Dismery E. Mercedes

Confirmation No.: 9439

Docket No.: K35A1358

RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

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Dear Sir:

In response to the Restriction Requirement mailed on May 18, 2005 for the above-identified patent application, Applicant elects Claims 1, 3, 6-9, 10, 12, 15 and 16, which read on species a defined by the Examiner. Claims 1, 6-9, 10, 15 and 16 are generic.

The present election is being made with traverse. Applicant submits that it is well established that:

Art Unit 2651
Serial No. 10/769,386

Reply to Office Action of: May 18, 2005
Attorney Docket No.: K35A1358

If the search and examination of an entire application can be made without **serious burden**, the examiner **must** examine it on the merits, **even though it includes claims to independent or distinct inventions**.

M.P.E.P. § 803 (emphasis added).

The non-elected species and elected species are directed to methods and disk drives relating to synchronizing a servo write clock in response to a timing recovery measurement, which is generated in response to a detected sync mark and a sync mark reliability metric. A proper search for art related to the elected species would necessarily include the classes and subclasses relevant to a search for the non-elected species. Thus, examination of all the claims would not present "a serious burden" on the Examiner. Applicant therefore respectfully requests that the present restriction requirement be withdrawn.

Respectfully submitted,

Date: June 13, 2005

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